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## (54) THESAURUS DICTIONARY SYSTEM HAVING NUMERIC VALUE DECISION FUNCTION

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To convert a quantitative key word into a qualitative key word.

SOLUTION: A set of key word that are mutually synonymous is one record, and many records R1, R2,... are prepared as a thesaurus dictionary. Each record prepares a representative key word and a synonymous key word as a qualitative key word and a conditional expression key word as a quantitative key word. When a character string that is 'maximum blood pressure = 180' is given, a conditional expression key word that includes an attribute part that is 'maximum blood pressure' is sought through retrieval. A conditional expression that is 'maximum blood pressure > 150' is retrieved from the record R1, and a conditional expression that is 'maximum blood pressure < 100' is retrieved from the record R2. When each conditional expression is substituted by a numeric value '180', and when a representative key word 'high blood pressure' of the record R1 whose condition is satisfied is outputted, a quantitative key word 'maximum blood pressure = 180' is converted into a qualitative key word 'high blood pressure'.



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